

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: September 11, 2016 marks the anniversary of the terrorist attacks against the United

States of America in which thousands of innocent people were killed, maimed, or injured;

and

WHEREAS: Police officers, fire and rescue personnel, other first responders, and American citizens

demonstrated extraordinary bravery; and

WHEREAS: The people of Minnesota have set aside this day to honor, remember, and mourn the

victims of this tragedy; and

WHEREAS: It is right and proper for all Minnesotans to observe a moment of silence beginning at

7:46 a.m. Central Daylight Time, to honor the innocent victims who perished as a result

of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Department of Transportation will light the I-35W Bridge in

Minneapolis the colors of the Flag of the United States of America on Sunday, September

11, 2016, in honor of victims of the attacks; and

WHEREAS: President Barack Obama asks that the people of the United States honor and remember

the victims of September 11, 2001, and their loved ones through prayer, contemplation, memorial services, the visiting of memorials, evening candlelight remembrance vigils, and

other appropriate ceremonies and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 11, 2016, as:

PATRIOT DAY AND A DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

in the State of Minnesota, and order all United States flags and Minnesota flags to be flown at half-staff at all state and federal buildings in the State of Minnesota, from sunrise until sunset, on Sunday, September 11, 2016, as a mark of respect for the victims of this tragedy.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 9th day of September.

GOVERNOR